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Sir:

In the above-captioned patent application and in response to the pending final Office Action, mailed January 13, 2006 (Paper No. 01102006), a Request for Continued Examination is hereby made. Accordingly, entry of the following amendments and reconsideration are requested in view of the following remarks. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims in section a); remarks are set forth in section b).

A three-month extension is requested for this response.